



United States Environmental Protection Agency  
Region 1  
5 Post Office Square, Suite 100  
Boston, MA 02109-3912

**URGENT MATTER – PROMPT REPLY NECESSARY**  
**CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

DEC 11 2015

Mr. Stewart Gannett Jr., President and Owner  
Southern Maine Specialties Inc.  
45 Hutcherson Drive  
Gorham, ME 04038

Re: **NOTICE OF VIOLATION** of the applicable Generators Standards of Hazardous Waste, Section 3002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (RCRA) and the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) of 1984, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6622(a) and State of Maine Hazardous Waste Management Rules, Chapter 850.

Dear Mr. Gannett:

On August 4, 2015, representatives of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) conducted a compliance inspection at Southern Maine Specialties Inc., EPA ID #ME985469279, located in Gorham, ME. The purpose of this inspection was to determine Southern Maine Specialties Inc.'s compliance with the RCRA and HSWA regulations as promulgated under 40 C.F.R. Parts 262 and 268, and pursuant to the State of Maine Hazardous Waste Management Rules, Chapter 850. The state of Maine has been granted final authorization by EPA to administer certain portions of RCRA.

As a result of the inspection, noted above, EPA has determined that your facility violated certain provisions of the State of Maine Hazardous Waste Management Rules and the RCRA regulations, promulgated at 40 CFR Parts 260 through 272. The specific violations are set forth below:

1. **Failure to annually update the mutual aid agreements, as required by Chapter 851, Section 13 C(7)(c)(ii).**

At the time of the inspection, the latest mutual aid agreements in Southern Maine Specialties Inc. records were dated January 10, 2014. The ME DEP requires that generators have its mutual aid agreement on file with each party to the agreement

and with the Department, readily accessible to facility personnel, and reviewed and updated annually.

At the time of the inspection, Southern Maine Specialties Inc. sent the mutual aid agreements to all relevant parties and the Department.

You are hereby required to:

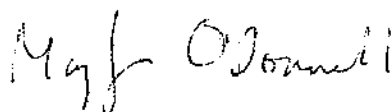
1. Immediately upon receipt of this **NOTICE**:
  - a. Annually review and update the mutual aid agreements and send it to all parties to the agreement and the Department, as required by Chapter 851, Section 13 C(7)(c)(ii) of the Rules.
2. Within (30) thirty calendar days of receipt of this **NOTICE**:
  - a. Submit a written description, with supporting documentation, of the actions taken to correct the aforementioned violation to:

Linda Brolin, Environmental Engineer  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region  
5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 (OES05-04)  
Boston, MA 02109-3912

Failure to correct the violation as required by this **NOTICE** may subject the facility to further federal enforcement action, including the assessment of penalties, pursuant to Section 3008 of RCRA 42, U.S.C. § 6928.

If you have any questions regarding this **NOTICE**, please contact Linda Brolin of my staff, at (617) 918-1876.

Sincerely,



Mary Jane O'Donnell, Manager  
RCRA, EPCRA, and Federal Programs Unit

cc: Michael Hudson, ME DEP